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## Dear Reader:

Dudley & Associates, LLC, of Denver, Colorado, is proposing to construct a natural gas compressor facility and pipeline in the vicinity of the Seminoe Road Coalbed Methane Pilot Project (pilot project) located in Carbon County, Wyoming. Portions of this proposal would be located on private lands and portions would be located on federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Rawlins Field Office. The compressor station would compress and prepare natural gas from the pilot project for shipment into the pipeline. The pipeline would be used to transport the compressed gas from the pilot project area to a natural gas distribution network 20.3 miles south and east in the vicinity of Walcott, Wyoming. Construction and operations activities will require road improvements within previously-disturbed areas of some existing roads. No new road construction is proposed.

We have prepared an environmental analysis for this proposal under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to assess the environmental impacts of implementing this proposal. You are invited to review the Environmental Analysis package and provide comments to us regarding this proposal. We believe implementation of this proposal would not generate significant impacts upon the human environment and an environmental impact statement is not needed to comply with the provisions of NEPA.

The "Seminoe Pipeline and Compressor Environmental Analysis" package contains the Environmental Analysis, this letter, three attachments, and a project map. The package is about 47 pages in size. Copies can be viewed or obtained in any one of three ways:

- At the BLM website, www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/nepadocs.htm
- At the Rawlins's Field Office, 1300 North Third Street, Rawlins, WY
- By calling and requesting a copy in the mail from the Rawlins's Field Office, (307) 328-4200

Comments must be received on or before September 9, 2002, to be considered. Upon review of comments, we will make a determination of the significance of this project under NEPA. If we determine that the effects of implementing this project are not significant, a Decision Record and Finding of No Significant Impact will be issued. If we determine that impacts will be significant, an environmental impact statement may be prepared.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dave Simons, Project Lead, at the address shown above or phone (307) 328-4328.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kurt Kotter

Field Manager